Montana's Energy Symposium

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Montana's Energy Future Symposium

PRIORITY OF GOVERNOR

- one of the first actions proposed by Governor Schweitzer in his State of State address.
- Long-term energy policy is long overdue.

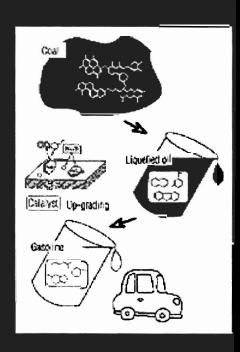
Symposium Agenda

- Logistics for Symposium coming along nicely
 - Over 300 participants already
 - Governor's Kempthorne, Gregoire, Manchin, Huntsman, Freudenthal, & Richardson have confirmed their attendance..
 - Ralph Cavanaugh, Ted Barna, Steve Wright and Suedean Kelly are scheduled plenary speakers.
 - Over 100 panelists

Diverse Topics/Agenda

- Inclusive; all interests invited
- All areas of energy sector covered including: renewables, coal, production, transmission, environmental concerns

Coal Liquefaction



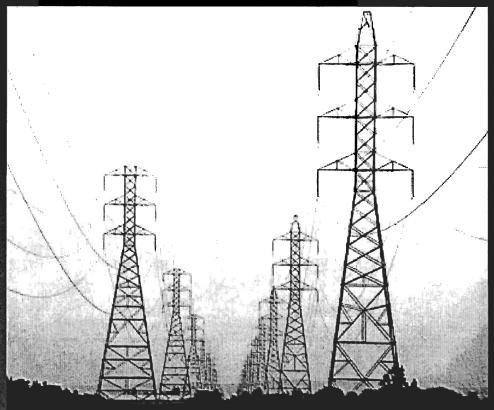
RENEWABLES

Including:

- >WIND
- **BIOFUELS**
- ➤ HYDROGEN
 FUEL/FUEL CELL
 TECHNOLOGY
- > CARBON SEQUESTRATION
- > RENEWABLE RESOURCE PANEL



TRANSMISSION



Panel topics include: Transmission Infrastructure Overview, Grid West and TIG Proposals, and New Transmission Projects in Montana.

Environmental Concerns

- Panel specifically devoted to environmental concerns.
- A number of environmental panelists and topics scattered throughout the agenda.
- There has been controversy over the agenda and its focus.
 - Governor truly wants all sides represented and all issues on the table.

Production/Development

Topics Include:

- Natural Gas
- > Oil
- > Coal
- > Renewable Resources
- > Tribal Perspectives
- State and Community Impacts
- > Economic Impacts

Other Important Topics

- Conservation and Demand Side Management
- Discussion of Federal Energy Bill
- USB
 - Low-Income/Consumer Issues
 - ◆ This winters predicted skyrocketing energy prices.

Attend the Symposium!

- OCTOBER 18-19TH; BOZEMAN MT, MSU CAMPUS
- All the information, including registration information and updated agenda and panelists/speakers can be found at the symposium website:
- www.energyfuture.mt.gov